



## Emergency On-Hand Gifts

Every year, dozens of children arrive at Saint Vincent's Home in the days just before Christmas - after the majority of the donated gifts have arrived. In addition to gift certificates or cash donations, the following gifts would be very helpful to have on-hand for those children:

- Portable CD players with headphones (one of the most requested items)
- \$20 Gift Cards: Footlocker, Game Stop, Best Buy, or Wal-Mart
- Basketballs, Footballs, Soccer Balls, Tennis Balls, and Nerf Balls
- Winter Jackets or Hooded Sweatshirts – size L, XL, and XXL
- Games for Nintendo DS, Nintendo Wii, PlayStation 3, or XBOX (non-violent themes only, Rated 'E')
- Accessories for Wii – remote controls, nun chucks
- Batteries
- Books on tape
- Relaxation CDs, or CDs of popular music (clean versions only) *“Now That's What I Call Music”* CD's are most requested.
- Remote control cars
- DVD's geared toward a young adult audience (Rated G, PG, or PG-13, non-violent themes only please)
- Sets of Lego's, K'Nex, or Bionicles or snap-together model sets
- Board games for older youth 13 and up (Monopoly, Life, Risk, Connect Four, Battleship, DVD games)
- Decks of playing cards and Card games

Please remember that the majority of children who live at Saint Vincent's are between the ages of 13 and 18. Often we receive many gifts for much younger children and have difficulty finding last minute presents for our older youth. The holidays are an especially difficult time for anyone separated from family, and we do our best to make the atmosphere at Saint Vincent's as joyful as possible for all of our youth.

For security and organizational reasons, as well as agency policy, all gifts need to be **UNwrapped**.

**Gifts need to be received by Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011** so that each gift can be wrapped, organized and delivered to all of our locations throughout the campus and community in time to magically appear under the tree on Christmas morning.

Our mailing address is 2425 Highland Avenue, Fall River, MA 02720. All correspondence should be sent to the attention of Missy Reis or Carolyn DaSilva. Questions? Please call 508-235-3413 or email [mreis@stvincentshome.org](mailto:mreis@stvincentshome.org) or [cdasilva@stvincentshome.org](mailto:cdasilva@stvincentshome.org).

Thank You!